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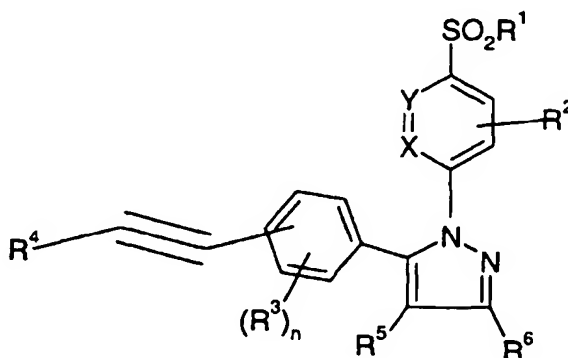
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(54) **Acetylene derivatives as anti-inflammatory/analgesic agents**

(57) The present invention relates to compounds of the formula



wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, X and Y are defined as in the specification, to pharmaceutical compositions containing them and to their medicinal use. The compounds of the invention are useful in the treatment or alleviation of inflammation and other inflammation associated disorders, such as arthritis, colon cancer, and Alzheimer's disease in mammals, preferably humans, dogs, cats and livestock.